

- Located on the basement level of the Keck Building
- New lab for a newly hired Assistant Professor of Aerospace
- Multi-phased project for a 650 sq. ft. laser lab
 - Construction began in Jan. 2012 and is slated for completion in April 2012
 - Located on the third floor of the Guggenheim building and approximately 250 sq. ft. in the basement of the Firestone building
- New lab spaces for newly hired and long tenured Biology faculty
- Remodel of a biological facility includes 3,000 sq. ft. of lab space used for neuroscience experiments
 - Design-build with Gensler Architects
 - Began construction in Feb. 2012 and is slated for completion in July 2012
 - Located in the subbasement and second floor of the Alles Building, and the second floor of the Kerckhoff building ■

San Francisco, CA Reinvention Takes Hold at The Factory

In keeping with its tradition of reinvention and innovation, The Factory has turned its artful eye on itself. This unique retail space, with its open, industrial interior, has been transformed into a shopping experience unlike any other.

Owner and visionary, Jennifer Evans, has created within the space a series of vignettes. Each vignette focuses on its own specific and eclectic theme, from timeless vintage to artisanal modern. The themes are brought to life through the furnishings, found objects, clothing and accessories; all carefully curated to emphasize the experience.

Mannequins are adorned with finery appropriate to each individual theme. The furnishings, from settees and chairs to object d'art, echo the vision. It is a distinct and cunning combination of The Factory's own private label, designer collaborations, vintage finds and one-of-a-kind pieces.

Upon entering, it's impossible not to be mesmerized by the remarkable array of

distinctive, one-of-a-kind wares. The unique vignettes practically beg the guest to linger, relax and be inspired. The Factory itself is warm, welcoming, helpful, and above all, collaborative.

In an unusual and revolutionary approach, guests of The Factory are invited to embrace the experience on a personal level and participate by releasing their own "inner designer." Customizable pieces, based on The Factory's collaborations with its clientele of clothing designers, are available for purchase. "Beautiful and amazing things happen when women come together in a collaboration of creativity," said Evans.

Made to complement the local production efforts of The Evans Group, The Factory serves as a launching pad for independent designers, and keeps its seamstresses working year-round. What's more, The Factory and The Evans Group support initiatives to empower education and community by providing specialized job training to ascend their skills and expand their opportunities. ■

Santa Barbara, CA Green Mixed-use Project at UCSB Nears Completion

"The LOOP" in Isla Vista will house 140 students/faculty and three retail businesses

UCSB students will have the opportunity to live in a brand new, luxury building designed by world-renowned architects. More importantly, it's a block from campus and has an Italian restaurant and a cupcake bakery/cafe on the ground floor. As the four-story building nears completion, a final retail storefront space of 2,751 sq. ft. is being offered for lease by Hayes Commercial Group.

The project, called the LOOP, is located at 6533-6539 Trigo Rd and will be open for business by summer and represents the first property of its kind in Isla Vista. Developed by Mesa Lane Partners, the building has already garnered several honors for environmentally-friendly design and is on track for LEED gold or platinum certification.

Strategically situated on Isla Vista's busiest bike and pedestrian route to campus, the contemporary façade will be the new focal point for all southbound traffic on Embarcadero Del Norte. The building is also across the street from the I.V. Theater, one of the university's largest and busiest lecture halls.

The project includes three retail spaces on the ground floor, two of which will be occupied by Pizza My Heart and Crushcakes Café. One remaining space of 2,751 sq. ft. is available for lease. ■

Henderson, NV Lucent Capital Arranges Construction Loan for Two Medical Office Buildings

Lucent Capital has arranged \$12.25 million in construction financing for the first phase of Seven Hills Plaza Center for Medical Excellence, located near St. Rose Hospital in Henderson, NV, announced Lucent Managing Director Farzin Emrani.

The first phase of the planned 115,000 sq. ft. medical and professional office complex includes two Class A buildings of 45,692 sq. ft. and 22,763 sq. ft. The first phase was two-thirds pre-leased at the time of financing.

Lucent Capital worked on behalf of the borrower, Stable Development, to secure the loan in less than six weeks from start to finish. The recourse loan was 75% LTC and 75% LTV and was priced at Prime + 1.50% with a 4.90% floor.

This is the second loan Lucent Capital has closed in Nevada in as many months. The first loan was a \$12 million note financing secured by a broken condominium in Las Vegas. ■